

## GLENN HEGAR TEXAS COMPTROLLER OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS

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July 7, 2015

AMENDED CERTIFICATION

Steve Post Superintendent Tulia Independent School District 702 NW 8<sup>th</sup> Street Tulia, Texas 79088

#### Dear Superintendent Post:

This application (Application #1023) was originally submitted on August 8, 2014, to the Tulia Independent School District (the school district) by TX Nazareth Solar, LLC (the applicant) for a limitation on appraised value under the provisions of Tax Code Chapter 313<sup>[1]</sup>. On September 10, 2014, the Comptroller issued written notice that the applicant submitted a completed application; and later issued a Certificate for a limitation on appraised value on October 17, 2014. The applicant and school district executed an agreement for a limitation on appraised value (the agreement) on December 18, 2014.

On June 8, 2015, the Comptroller received an amendment to the agreement. This presents the Comptroller's review of that amendment per Section 10.2 of the agreement and determinations required:

- under Section 313.025(h) to determine if the property meets the requirements of Section 313.024 for eligibility for a limitation on appraised value under Chapter 313, Subchapter C; and
- 2) under Section 313.025(d), to issue a certificate for a limitation on appraised value of the property and provide the certificate to the governing body of the school district or provide the governing body a written explanation of the comptroller's decision not to issue a certificate, using the criteria set out in Section 313.026.

### **Determination required by 313.025(h)**

The information provided by the applicant related to eligibility has not changed and therefore, the Comptroller has determined that the property meets the requirements of Section 313.024 for eligibility for a limitation on appraised value under Chapter 313, Subchapter C.

#### Certificate decision required by 313.025(d)

Determination required by 313.026(c)(1)

Based on the amended information provided by the applicant, the Comptroller has determined that the project proposed by the applicant is reasonably likely to generate tax revenue in an amount sufficient to offset the school district maintenance and operations ad valorem tax revenue

<sup>[1]</sup> All statutory references are to the Texas Tax Code, unless otherwise noted.

lost as a result of the agreement before the 25th anniversary of the beginning of the limitation period. See Attachment B.

Determination required by 313.026(c)(2)

The Comptroller has determined that the limitation on appraised value is a determining factor in the applicant's decision to invest capital and construct the project in this state. See Attachment C.

Based on these determinations, the Comptroller issues a certificate for a limitation on appraised value for the amendment.

The Comptroller's review of the application assumes the accuracy and completeness of the statements in the application. If the application is approved by the school district, the applicant shall perform according to the provisions of the Texas Economic Development Act Agreement (Form 50-286) executed with the school district. The school district shall comply with and enforce the stipulations, provisions, terms, and conditions of the agreement, applicable Texas Administrative Code and Chapter 313, per TAC 9.1054(i)(3).

This certificate is no longer valid if the application is modified, the information presented in the application changes, or the limitation agreement does not conform to the application. Additionally, this certificate is contingent on the school district approving and executing the amendment to the agreement within a year from the date of this letter.

Should you have any questions, please contact Korry Castillo, Director, Data Analysis & Transparency, by email at korry.castillo@cpa.texas.gov or by phone at 1-800-531-5441, ext. 3-3806, or direct in Austin at 512-463-3806.

Sincerely

Deputy Comptroller

Enclosure

cc: Korry Castillo

## **Attachment A – Economic Impact Analysis**

This following tables summarizes the Comptroller's economic impact analysis of TX Nazareth Solar, LLC (the project) applying to Tulia Independent School District (the district), as required by Tax Code, 313.026 and Texas Administrative Code 9.1055(d)(2).

Table 1 is a summary of investment, employment and tax impact of TX Nazareth Solar, LLC.

Applicant	TX Nazareth Solar LLC
Tax Code, 313.024 Eligibility Category	Renewable Energy - Solar
School District	Tulia ISD
2012-13 Enrollment in School District	1,110
County	Swisher
Proposed Total Investment in District	\$182,850,000
Proposed Qualified Investment	\$182,850,000
Limitation Amount	\$20,000,000
Number of new qualifying jobs committed to by applicant	3*
Number of new non-qualifying jobs estimated by applicant	0
Average weekly wage of qualifying jobs committed to by applicant	\$723
Minimum weekly wage required for each qualifying job by Tax Code, 313.021(5)	\$719
Minimum annual wage committed to by applicant for qualified jobs	\$37,600
Minimum weekly wage required for non-qualifying jobs	
Minimum annual wage required for non-qualifying jobs	
Investment per Qualifying Job	\$91,425,000
Estimated M&O levy without any limit (15 years)	\$13,490,779
Estimated M&O levy with Limitation (15 years)	\$4,255,091
Estimated gross M&O tax benefit (15 years)	\$9,235,689
* Applicant is requesting district to waive requirement to create minimum number of qualifying jobs pursuant to Tax Code, 313.025 (f-1).	

Table 2 is the estimated statewide economic impact of TX Nazareth Solar, LLC (modeled).

		<b>Employment</b>			Personal Income		Revenue & Expenditure			
Year	Direct	Indirect +	Total	Direct	Indirect + Induced	Total	Revenue	Expenditure	Net Tax Effect	
2015	200	214	414	\$7,000,000	\$15,338,867	\$22,338,867	\$1,495,361	-\$694,275		
2016	300	804	1104	\$10,500,000	\$52,610,352	\$63,110,352	\$6,652,832	-\$1,594,543		
2017	3	49	52	\$112,800	\$9,774,895	\$9,887,695	\$633,240	\$1,068,115	-\$434,875	
2018	3	18	21	\$112,800	\$6,601,067	\$6,713,867	\$480,652	\$1,037,598	-\$556,946	
2019	3	(1)	2	\$112,800	\$3,671,380	\$3,784,180	\$328,064	\$961,304	-\$633,240	
2020	3	(13)	-10	\$112,800	\$2,328,606	\$2,441,406	\$236,511	\$869,751	-\$633,240	
2021	3	(13)	-10	\$112,800	\$741,692	\$854,492	\$175,476	\$732,422	-\$556,946	
2022	3	(17)	-14	\$112,800	\$375,481	\$488,281	\$122,070	\$617,981	-\$495,911	
2023	3	(11)	-8	\$112,800	\$375,481	\$488,281	\$106,812	\$495,911	-\$389,099	
2024	3	(11)	-8	\$112,800	-\$112,800	\$0	\$91,553	\$396,729	-\$305,176	
2025	3	(3)	0	\$112,800	-\$112,800	\$0	\$76,294	\$305,176	-\$228,882	
2026	3	(5)	-2	\$112,800	-\$112,800	\$0	\$61,035	\$236,511	-\$175,476	
2027	3	(5)	-2	\$112,800	\$131,341	\$244,141	\$7,629	\$137,329	-\$129,700	
2028	3	(3)	0	\$112,800	-\$112,800	\$0	\$0	\$68,665	-\$68,665	
2029	3	(7)	-4	\$112,800	\$131,341	\$244,141	\$7,629	\$53,406	-\$45,777	
2030	3	9	12	\$112,800	\$1,107,903	\$1,220,703	\$83,923	-\$61,035	\$144,958	

Source: CPA, REMI, TX Nazareth Solar, LLC

Table 3 examines the estimated direct impact on ad valorem taxes to the region if all taxes are assessed.

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Year	l .	Estimated exable Value for I&S	Ta	Estimated exable Value		Tulia ISD I&S Tax Levy	Tulia ISD M&O Tax Levy	Tulia ISD M&O and I&S Tax Levies	Swisher County Tax Levy	Swisher County Memorial Hospital District Tax Levy	High Plains Underground WCD #1 Tax Levy	Estimated Total Property Taxes
					Tax Rate <sup>1</sup>	0.0000	1.1600		0.7650		0.0075	
2016	\$	7,500,000	\$	7,500,000		\$0	\$87,000	\$87,000	\$57,375	\$23,873	\$566	\$168,813
2017	\$	350,448,000	\$	350,448,000		\$0	\$4,065,197	\$4,065,197	\$2,680,927	\$1,115,476	\$26,424	\$7,888,024
2018	\$	298,405,800	\$	298,405,800		\$0	\$3,461,507	\$3,461,507	\$2,282,804	\$949,826	\$22,500	
2019	\$	254,117,430	\$	254,117,430		\$0	\$2,947,762	\$2,947,762	\$1,943,998	\$808,856	\$19,160	\$5,719,777
2020	\$	216,425,066	\$	216,425,066		\$0	\$2,510,531	\$2,510,531	\$1,655,652	\$688,881	\$16,318	\$4,871,382
2021	\$	184,344,031	\$	184,344,031		\$0	\$2,138,391	\$2,138,391	\$1,410,232	\$586,767	\$13,900	\$4,149,289
2022	\$	157,036,879	\$	157,036,879		\$0	\$1,821,628	\$1,821,628	\$1,201,332	\$499,848	\$11,841	\$3,534,649
2023	\$	133,791,354	\$	133,791,354		\$0	\$1,551,980	\$1,551,980	\$1,023,504	\$425,858	\$10,088	\$3,011,429
2024	\$	114,001,657	$\overline{}$	114,001,657		\$0	\$1,322,419	\$1,322,419	\$872,113	\$362,867	\$8,596	\$2,565,995
2025	\$	97,152,515	\$	97,152,515		\$0	\$1,126,969	\$1,126,969	\$743,217	\$309,236	\$7,325	\$2,186,748
2026	\$	82,805,633	\$	82,805,633		\$0	\$960,545	\$960,545	\$633,463	\$263,570	\$6,244	\$1,863,822
2027	\$	71,650,724	\$	71,650,724		\$0	\$831,148	\$831,148	\$548,128	\$228,064	\$5,402	\$1,612,743
2028	\$	71,284,611	\$	71,284,611		\$0	\$826,901	\$826,901	\$545,327	\$226,899	\$5,375	\$1,604,503
2029	\$	70,955,110	\$	70,955,110		\$0	\$823,079	\$823,079	\$542,807	\$225,850	\$5,350	\$1,597,086
2030	\$	70,658,559	\$	70,658,559		\$0	\$819,639	\$819,639	\$540,538	\$224,906	\$5,328	\$1,590,411
							Total	\$25,294,697	\$16,681,417	\$6,940,778	\$164,416	\$49,081,308

Source: CPA, TX Nazareth Solar, LLC Tax Rate per \$100 Valuation

**Table 4** examines the estimated direct impact on ad valorem taxes to the school district and Swisher County, with all property tax incentives sought being granted using estimated market value from the application. The project has applied for a value limitation under Chapter 313, Tax Code and tax abatement with Swisher County and Swisher County Memorial Hospital District.

The difference noted in the last line is the difference between the totals in Table 3 and Table 4.

Year		Estimated exable Value	Estimated Taxable Value for M&O	T. D. 1	Tulia ISD I&S Tax Levy	Tulia ISD M&O Tax Levy	Tulia ISD M&O and I&S Tax Levies	Swisher County Tax Levy	Swisher County Memorial Hospital District Tax Levy	High Plains Underground WCD#1 Tax Levy	Estimated Total Property Taxes
2016	\$	7 500 000		Tax Rate <sup>1</sup>	0.0000	1.1600	¢07.000	0.7650	0.3183	0.0075	2462.242
2016	<u> </u>	7,500,000	\$7,500,000		\$0	\$87,000	\$87,000	<del></del>	\$23,873	\$566	\$168,813
2017	\$	350,448,000	\$20,000,000		\$0	\$232,000	\$232,000			\$26,424	\$1,120,442
2018	\$	298,405,800	\$20,000,000		\$0	\$232,000	\$232,000			\$22,500	\$988,506
2019	\$	254,117,430	\$20,000,000		\$0	\$232,000	\$232,000			\$19,160	\$876,228
2020	\$	216,425,066	\$20,000,000		\$0	\$232,000	\$232,000	\$380,800	\$151,554	\$16,318	\$780,672
2021	\$	184,344,031	\$20,000,000		\$0	\$232,000	\$232,000	\$324,353	\$129,089	\$13,900	\$699,342
2022	\$	157,036,879	\$20,000,000		\$0	\$232,000	\$232,000	\$276,306	\$109,967	\$11,841	\$630,114
2023	\$	133,791,354	\$20,000,000		\$0	\$232,000	\$232,000	\$235,406	\$93,689	\$10,088	\$571,182
2024	\$	114,001,657	\$20,000,000		\$0	\$232,000	\$232,000	\$200,586	\$79,831	\$8,596	\$521,012
2025	\$	97,152,515	\$20,000,000		\$0	\$232,000	\$232,000	\$170,940	\$68,032	\$7,325	\$478,297
2026	\$	82,805,633	\$20,000,000		\$0	\$232,000	\$232,000	\$145,697	\$57,985	\$6,244	\$441,926
2027	\$	71,650,724	\$71,650,724		\$0	\$831,148	\$831,148	\$548,128	\$228,064		\$1,612,743
2028	\$	71,284,611	\$71,284,611		\$0	\$826,901	\$826,901	\$545,327	\$226,899		\$1,604,503
2029	\$	70,955,110	\$70,955,110		\$0	\$823,079	\$823,079		\$225,850		
2030	\$	70,658,559	\$70,658,559		\$0	\$819,639	\$819,639	\$540,538			
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						Total	\$5,707,768	\$5,557,041	\$2,252,053	\$164,416	\$13,681,277
		CD / CT				Diff	\$19,586,929	\$11,124,376	\$4,688,725	\$0	\$35,400,030

Source: CPA, TX Nazareth Solar, LLC

<sup>1</sup>Tax Rate per \$100 Valuation

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#### Attachment B - Tax Revenue over 25 Years

This represents the Comptroller's determination that TX Nazareth Solar, LLC (project) is reasonably likely to generate, before the 25th anniversary of the beginning of the limitation period, tax revenue in an amount sufficient to offset the school district maintenance and operations ad valorem tax revenue lost as a result of the agreement. This evaluation is based on an analysis of the estimated M&O portion of the school district property tax levy and direct, indirect and induced tax effects from project employment directly related to this project, using estimated taxable values provided in the application.

	Tax Year	Estimated ISD M&O Tax Levy Generated (Annual)	Estimated ISD M&O Tax Levy Generated (Cumulative)	Estimated ISD M&O Tax Levy Loss as Result of Agreement (Annual)	Estimated ISD M&O Tax Levy Loss as Result of Agreement (Cumulative)
Limitation	2014	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Pre-Years	2015	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
110-10015	2016	\$87,000	\$87,000	\$0	\$0
	2017	\$232,000	\$319,000	\$3,833,197	\$3,833,197
	2018	\$232,000	\$551,000	\$3,229,507	\$7,062,704
=	2019	\$232,000	\$783,000	\$2,715,762	\$9,778,466
	2020	\$232,000	\$1,015,000	\$2,278,531	\$12,056,997
Limitation Period	2021	\$232,000	\$1,247,000	\$1,906,391	\$13,963,388
(10 Years)	2022	\$232,000	\$1,479,000	\$1,589,628	\$15,553,016
	2023	\$232,000	\$1,711,000	\$1,319,980	\$16,872,995
	2024	\$232,000	\$1,943,000	\$1,090,419	\$17,963,415
	2025	\$232,000	\$2,175,000	\$894,969	\$18,858,384
	2026	\$232,000	\$2,407,000	\$728,545	\$19,586,929
	2027	\$831,148	\$3,238,148	\$0	\$19,586,929
Maintain Viable	2028	\$826,901	\$4,065,050	\$0	\$19,586,929
Presence	2029	\$823,079	\$4,888,129	\$0	\$19,586,929
(5 Years)	2030	\$819,639	\$5,707,768	\$0	\$19,586,929
	2031	\$816,543	\$6,524,312	\$0	\$19,586,929
	2032	\$813,039	\$7,337,351	\$0	\$19,586,929
	2033	\$813,039	\$8,150,390	\$0	\$19,586,929
	2034	\$813,039	\$8,963,430	\$0	\$19,586,929
Additional Years	2035	\$813,039	\$9,776,469	\$0	\$19,586,929
as Required by	2036	\$813,039	\$10,589,509	\$0	\$19,586,929
313.026(c)(1)	2037	\$813,039	\$11,402,548	\$0	\$19,586,929
(10 Years)	2038	\$813,039	\$12,215,587	\$0	\$19,586,929
	2039	\$813,039	\$13,028,627	\$0	\$19,586,929
	2040	\$813,039	\$13,841,666	\$0	\$19,586,929
·	2041	\$813,039	\$14,654,705	\$0	\$19,586,929
		\$14,654,705	is less than	\$19,586,929	
Analysis Summary	<u> </u>				
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Source: CPA, TX Nazareth Solar, LLC

## **Employment Indirect and Induced Tax Effects**

		<b>Employment</b>			Personal Income		Revenue & Expenditure				
Year	Direct	Indirect +	Total	Direct	Indirect + Induced	Total	Revenue	Expenditure	Net Tax Effect		
2015	200	214	414	\$7,000,000	\$15,338,867	\$22,338,867	\$1,495,361	-\$694,275	\$2,189,636		
2016	300	804	1104	\$10,500,000	\$52,610,352	\$63,110,352	\$6,652,832	-\$1,594,543	\$8,247,375		
2017	3	49	52	\$112,800	\$9,774,895	\$9,887,695	\$633,240	\$1,068,115	1		
2018	3	18	21	\$112,800	\$6,601,067	\$6,713,867	\$480,652	\$1,037,598	-\$556,946		
2019	3	(1)	2	\$112,800	\$3,671,380	\$3,784,180	\$328,064	\$961,304	-\$633,240		
2020	3	(13)	-10	\$112,800	\$2,328,606	\$2,441,406	\$236,511	\$869,751	-\$633,240		
2021	3	(13)	-10	\$112,800	\$741,692	\$854,492	\$175,476	\$732,422	-\$556,946		
2022	3	(17)	-14	\$112,800	\$375,481	\$488,281	\$122,070	\$617,981	-\$495,911		
2023	3	(11)	-8	\$112,800	\$375,481	\$488,281	\$106,812	\$495,911	-\$389,099		
2024	3	(11)	-8	\$112,800	-\$112,800	\$0	\$91,553	\$396,729			
2025	3	(3)	0	\$112,800	-\$112,800	\$0	\$76,294	\$305,176			
2026	3	(5)	-2	\$112,800	-\$112,800	\$0	\$61,035	\$236,511	-\$175,476		
2027	3	(5)	-2	\$112,800	\$131,341	\$244,141	\$7,629	\$137,329			
2028	3	(3)	0	\$112,800	-\$112,800	\$0	\$0	\$68,665			
2029	3	(7)	-4	\$112,800	\$131,341	\$244,141	\$7,629	\$53,406			
2030	3	9	12	\$112,800	\$1,107,903	\$1,220,703	\$83,923	-\$61,035	\$144,958		
2031	3	38	41	\$112,800	\$4,281,731	\$4,394,531	\$297,546	-\$167,847	<u> </u>		
2032	3	(3)	0	\$112,800	-\$112,800	\$0	-\$68,665	-\$53,406	-\$15,259		
2033	3	(5)	-2	\$112,800	-\$112,800	\$0	-\$106,812	-\$152,588	\$45,776		
2034	3	(7)	-4	\$112,800	-\$356,941	-\$244,141	-\$114,441	-\$198,364	\$83,923		
2035	3	(13)	-10	\$112,800	-\$845,222	-\$732,422	-\$160,217	-\$259,399	\$99,182		
2036	3	(11)	-8	\$112,800	-\$1,089,363	-\$976,563	-\$167,847	-\$320,435	\$152,588		
2037	3	(13)	-10	\$112,800	-\$1,821,784	-\$1,708,984	-\$190,735	-\$396,729	\$205,994		
2038	3	(19)	-16	\$112,800	-\$2,065,925	-\$1,953,125	-\$198,364	-\$450,134	\$251,770		
2039	3	(15)	-12	\$112,800	-\$2,065,925	-\$1,953,125	-\$213,623	-\$518,799	\$305,176		
2040	3	(15)	-12	\$112,800	-\$2,798,347	-\$2,685,547	-\$244,141	-\$602,722	\$358,581		
2041	3	(17)	-14	\$112,800	-\$2,554,206	-\$2,441,406	-\$274,658	-\$640,869	\$366,211		
							\$9,117,124	\$869,753	\$8,247,371		
							\$22,902,076	is greater than	\$19,586,929		

### **Analysis Summary**

Is the project reasonably likely to generate tax revenue in an amount sufficient to offset the M&O levy loss as a result of the limitation agreement?

Yes

Source: CPA, TX Nazareth Solar, LLC

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## Attachment C – Limitation as a Determining Factor

Tax Code 313.026 states that the Comptroller may not issue a certificate for a limitation on appraised value under this chapter for property described in an application unless the comptroller determines that "the limitation on appraised value is a determining factor in the applicant's decision to invest capital and construct the project in this state." This represents the basis for the Comptroller's determination.

## Methodology

Texas Administrative Code 9.1055(d) states the Comptroller shall review any information available to the Comptroller including:

- the application, including the responses to the questions in Section 8 (Limitation as a Determining Factor);
- public documents or statements by the applicant concerning business operations or site location issues or in which the applicant is a subject;
- statements by officials of the applicant, public documents or statements by governmental or industry officials concerning business operations or site location issues;
- existing investment and operations at or near the site or in the state that may impact the proposed project;
- announced real estate transactions, utility records, permit requests, industry publications or other sources that may provide information helpful in making the determination; and
- market information, raw materials or other production inputs, availability, existing facility locations, committed incentives, infrastructure issues, utility issues, location of buyers, nature of market, supply chains, other known sites under consideration.

#### Determination

The Comptroller is **has determined** that the limitation on appraised value is a determining factor in the TX Nazareth Solar, LLC decision to invest capital and construct the project in this state. This is based on information available, including information provided by the applicant. Specifically, the comptroller notes the following:

- Per the applicant, the company has entered into a number of contracts related to the project including long-term lease agreements with landowners, contracts with environmental consultants to assess the suitability of the site, and a request for studies leading to an interconnection agreement with the transmission provider.
- Per the company, the company is a national solar developer with the ability to locate projects of
  this type in other states within the United States and other regions within Texas with favorable
  solar characteristics. The applicant is actively assessing and developing other projects that are
  competing for limited investment funds.
- Per the applicant, the value limitation is critical to the ability of the project to move forward as currently sited.
- Per the applicant, without the available tax incentives, the economics of the Project become far less attractive and the likelihood of selling the electricity at a competitive price will decrease.

## **Supporting Information**

- a) Section 8 of the Application for a Limitation on Appraised Value
- b) Attachments provided in Tab 5 of the Application for a Limitation on Appraised Value
- c) Additional information provided by the Applicant or located by the Comptroller

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## **Supporting Information**

Section 8 of the Application for a Limitation on Appraised Value



## Application for Appraised Value Limitation on Qualified Property

8	ECTIO	DN 6: Eligibility Under Tax Code Chapter 313.024			
1.	Are yo	u an entity subject to the tax under Tax Code, Chapter 171?	V	Yes	No
2.		roperty will be used for one of the following activities:		_	
	(1)	manufacturing	<u></u>	Yes .	<b>√</b> No
	(2)	research and development		Yes .	<b>√</b> No
	(3)	a clean coal project, as defined by Section 5.001, Water Code		Yes .	<b>√</b> No
	(4)	an advanced clean energy project, as defined by Section 382.003, Health and Safety Code		Yes .	<b>√</b> No
	(5)	renewable energy electric generation	V	Yes	No
	(6)	electric power generation using integrated gasification combined cycle technology		Yes .	<b>√</b> No
	(7)	nuclear electric power generation		Yes .	<b>√</b> No
	(8)	a computer center that is used as an integral part or as a necessary auxiliary part for the activity conducted by applicant in one or more activities described by Subdivisions (1) through (7)		Yes	<b>√</b> No
	(9)	a Texas Priority Project, as defined by 313.024(e)(7) and TAC 9.1051		Yes .	✓ No
3.	Are yo	ou requesting that any of the land be classified as qualified investment?	$\overline{\square}$	Yes	✓ No
4.	Will a	ny of the proposed qualified investment be leased under a capitalized lease?	一、	Yes .	✓ No
5.	Will a	ny of the proposed qualified investment be leased under an operating lease?		Yes	✓ No
6.	Are yo	ou including property that is owned by a person other than the applicant?	$\overline{\Box}$	Yes	✓ No
7.	Will a	ny property be pooled or proposed to be pooled with property owned by the applicant in determining the amount of ualified investment?		Yes	✓ No
8	ECTIO	DN 7: Project Description			
-	In Tab	4, attach a detailed description of the scope of the proposed project, including, at a minimum, the type and planned use of	real ar	nd tangil	ole per-
		property, the nature of the business, a timeline for property construction or installation, and any other relevant information.			
2.		the project characteristics that apply to the proposed project:			
		Land has no existing improvements Land has existing improvements (complete Se	ction 1	3)	
10-		Expansion of existing operation on the land (complete Section 13)  Relocation within Texas			
		DN 8: Limitation as Determining Factor			AL.
1.	Does	the applicant currently own the land on which the proposed project will occur?		Yes	<b>√</b> No
2.	Has th	ne applicant entered into any agreements, contracts or letters of intent related to the proposed project?	<b>√</b>	Yes	No
		the applicant have current business activities at the location where the proposed project will occur?		Yes	<b>√</b> No
4.	Has the proposition	ne applicant made public statements in SEC filings or other documents regarding its intentions regarding the sed project location?		Yes [	<b>√</b> No
5.	Has th	e applicant received any local or state permits for activities on the proposed project site?		Yes	<b>√</b> No
6.	Has th	ne applicant received commitments for state or local incentives for activities at the proposed project site?		Yes	<b>√</b> No
7.	Is the	applicant evaluating other locations not in Texas for the proposed project?	<b>V</b>	Yes	No
8.	Has th	te applicant provided capital investment or return on investment information for the proposed project in comparison the alternative investment opportunities?		Yes	<b>√</b> No
9.	Has th	e applicant provided information related to the applicant's inputs, transportation and markets for the proposed project?	$\prod$	Yes	✓ No
10	. Are yo	ou submitting information to assist in the determination as to whether the limitation on appraised value is a determining in the applicant's decision to invest capital and construct the project in Texas?		Yes	No
Ch		B13.026(e) states "the applicant may submit information to the Comptroller that would provide a basis for an affirma		L	

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# **Supporting Information**

Attachments provided in Tab 5 of the Application for a Limitation on Appraised Value

#### TAB 5

#### Documentation to assist in determining if limitation is a determining factor

The Applicant for this Project has entered into a number of contracts related to the project, including long-term lease option agreements with area landowners, contracts with environmental consultants to assess the suitability of the site, and a request for studies leading to an interconnection agreement with the transmission provider.

The Applicant is a national solar developer with the ability to locate projects of this type in other states within the United States and other regions within Texas with favorable solar characteristics. The Applicant is actively assessing and developing other projects that are competing for limited investment funds. This appraised value limitation is critical to the ability of the Project to move forward as currently sited.

Without the available tax incentives, the economics of the Project become far less attractive and the likelihood of selling the electricity at a competitive price will decrease. The Applicant for this project is competing against other developers who have been offered or are in the process of applying for Value Limitation Agreements with other school districts. Obtaining the limitation is critical to the economic and competitive viability of this Project.